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Café Violeta

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Brunch on Sat. & Sun. 9:30am - 2pm
Closed Mondays

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Cultural Center Calendar April 1988

Kids and Munch

Every Saturday morning there are children's programs at La Peña. Afterwards, enjoy a hardy brunch at La Peña's Café Violeta and check out the book and music section of La Peña's community store, La Tienda.

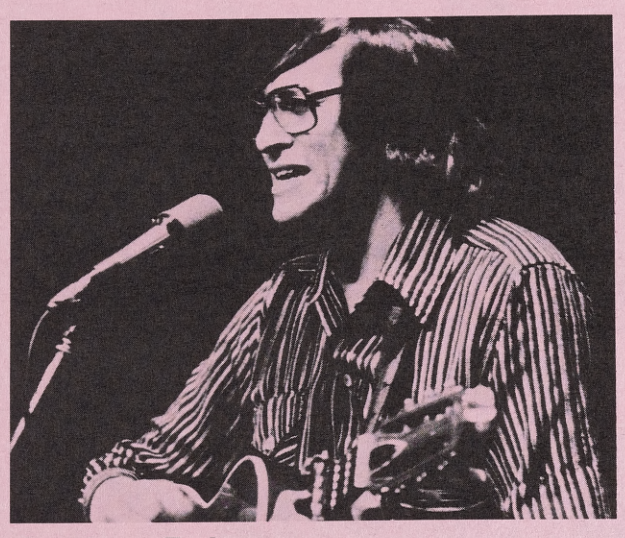
DOM - SUN	LUN - MON	MAR - TUE	MIER - WED	JUEV-THURS	VIER - FRI	SAB - SAT
					1 **Benefit Dance: O.J. Ekemode & the Nigerian All-Stars** stir up an Afrobeat storm to benefit Jeff Tauber's campaign for Oakland Judge. **9:30pm $8**	**2** *Amiguitos de La Peña* kid's program with **Mark Freeman**, stories,**Nancy Raven,** songs.**10:30am $3 adults $2 kids** Reggae dance: **Lambsbread** returns to La Peña with reggae, calypso & Caribbean sounds. **9:30pm $5**
3 **Gabino Palomares,** singer , songwriter, & activist of the Nueva Canción movement in Mexico returns to La Peña with an evening of songs of humor, politics, & love. Gabino, author of the classic *Maldición de Malinche*, will sing old favorites & new songs from his recent album *No te lo creo.* **8pm $6**	**4** **Sixth Annual La Peña Liberation Seder.** Seating is limited. Event is by advance sale only! Tickets available at La Tienda, La Peña's giftstore. Begins at **6pm.** (see below for details.)★	**5** **Film. The Struggle for Survival (57 min., 1987)** The film chronicles the development of "Renamo" the contras of Mozambique. An update will follow with PhD candidate; Pauline Wynter, who recently spent 7 years in Mozambique & Wallace Mazengwe from Zimbawe. A benefit for ZIMPFA (The Zimbabwe-Mozambique Friendship Assoc.) Spon. by the Africa Resource Center. **7:30pm $3**★	**6** Benefit concert for the **Berkeley Afterschool Program. Kris Welch** M.C.'s a lively evening of song & fun to benefit Berkeley's progressive afterschool program, currently facing severe financial problems. Music by **Lichi Fuentes, Country Joe McDonald & Higher Ground** **7:30pm $4-$7 sliding scale.**★	**7** Concert: **Collective Vision's** five members met on the Great Peace March across the US. Their music blends folk, rock, & reggae & is characterized by powerful vocal harmonies, spicy percussion, & dynamic woodwinds.Collective Vision's music & high energy performance reflect the group's deep commitment to global nuclear disarmament, justice, & the sanctity of our planet. **8pm $6**	**8** Improv Comedy. **Over Our Heads Comedy Troupe** and the **Spoolie Sisters** return to La Peña for an evening of music & bellylaughs. **Over Our Heads** are always on the mark with their seriously funny improv comedy. The wild & wonderful **Spoolie Sisters** play girl-group sounds from the 40's to the 80's. **8pm $6-$8 Sliding scale.**	**9** **Plum City Players** kid's program with **José Luis Orozco** **10:30am $3 adults $2 kids** Dance: **Ogie Yocha** plays Korean/Japanese Rock, Reggae & traditional music. They take their inspiration from the Four Directions and come up with a sound that unifies the traditional & the avante-garde. **9:30pm $5**
10 Concert: **A Stroll Through Time.** Singer/dancer **Diana Leland** presents an entertaining 90-minute one woman show of U.S. history through its popular music. Through song, dance, & comic & dramatic monologues in costumed characters, Diana leads us from the Victorian Age through the Rock'n'Roll Era. **7:30pm $5**	**11** **Dr. Isabel Estrada** from Guatemala & **Dr. Violeta Delgado** from El Salvador discuss & answer questions on health, human rights, & medical neutrality. Spon. by Committee for Health Rights in Central America. Music by **Lichi Fuentes.** **7:30pm $3-$5**★	**12** The Caribbean Exchange will be hosting the video **Haiti , Dreams of Democracy**, (90 min.) by Jonathan Demi & Joe Mennil. There will be Haitian music & a dance performance & a political update & background on Haiti. Sponsored by the Caribbean Exchange project. **7:30pm $3 $5 sliding scale** ★	**13** In celebration of Latin American culture, **Carolyn Brandy & Bonnie Lockhart** present the students of **Berkeley Arts Magnet Elementary School** in an evening of percussion & song. Carolyn leads a dynamic band of 35 children who play, sing & dance Samba, Comparsa, & other rhythms. Bonnie leads a chorus of beautiful children's voices. Come one, come all!!! Benefit for band uniforms. **7:30pm $3 Adults $2 kids**	**14** **Philip Rosheger**, internationally acclaimed guitar virtuoso will peform a program of Spanish & Latin American works. He will be joined by Argentinian accordionist & recording artist **Agustin Barchuk** for a program of unusual & highly *simpatico* instrumental collaboration. **8pm $7**	**15** *¡Directo de Mexico!* **Los Morales.** This internationally renowned trio has performed in 55 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, & Latin America. They play traditional Mexican styles ranging from *son jarocho* to *Norteño* & display their virtuosity on a wide array of instruments including Veracruz harp, *jarana, bajo sexto,* accordion, & guitar. An evening of humor, politics, tradition & great music! **8:30pm $6 adv. $7door**	**16** *Amiguitos de La Peña* kid's program with **Diane Ferlatte,** songs & stories from African cultures. **10:30am $3 adults $2 kids** Dance: **The Present** is one of the most remarkable new bands around. This 5-woman band created their own electronic marimbas, which combined with synthesizers, drum machines, & exquisite vocals propel the *World Beat* sound into the 90's & beyond. **9:30pm $5**
17 Benefit Concert:Traditional *mbira* music of Zimbabwe with Erica Kundidzora. Celebrate on the eve of the 8th Zimbabwean Independence Day. Program includes slides & discussion by the Mozambique Health Committee Benefit for direct medical aid to Manica Province in Mozambique. **7:30pm:slides 8pm:concert $5**	**18** **Voices from the Border.** Benefit dinner & presentation on the current situation in the controlled zones of El Salvador. José Ramirez, Catholic layworker will speak & present a video. Also slideshow about Colomoncagua. Call 533-4321 for reservations. **6:30pm $8-$10**	**19** **International Indian Treaty Council Benefit.** Call 863-7733 for details regarding this evening's programs. **7:30pm $3**★	**20** Concert: British singer, songwriter & hellraiser **Leon Rosselson** is one of the world's most respected political songwriters & performers. His style is unique, relevant to both his native England & the U.S. Rosselson's recent hit, *Ballad of a Spycatcher,* is a musical version of a book banned in England for national security reasons. Find out what Maggie Thatcher is trying to hide.... **8pm $8**	**21** **Friends of Nicaraguan Culture &Visions** present **3rd Thursday: Murals, The People's Blackboard.** Malaquias Montoya & his students have painted a 24X10 canvas mural for the School of Public Arts in Nicaragua. He will discuss the making of the mural. Also, **Blackboards of the People**, an award-winning video of murals in Chile and Nicaragua by José Letelier. Benefit to raise shipping costs. **7:30pm $5**	**22** *Concierto con* **Trio Arepa**.These accomplished musicians present spirited interpretations of the rich & varied Afro-Venezuelan musical tradition. The *cuatro,* mandolin, *furruco* , & a wide array of drums & percussion reflect the blending of the African, Indigenous, & European influences that shaped Venezuelan music & history. Benefit for August 1988 Venezuelan music workshops. **8:30pm $5**	**23** **Plum City Players** kid's program with **Annie The Clown. 10:30am $3 adults, $2 kids** **Dance--** Afro-cuban dance party with **Conjunto Céspedes.** *Sones, guajiras, y rumbas con sabor. Una sola casa....* **9:30pm $6**
24 **Gala Night in Buenos Aires.** Tango & folklore show. **Raul & Nora Dinzelbacher** of Argentina display their dance artistry in traditional folk dances & of course, the sultry, sensual tango. Raul's performance of the *Malambo* , his quick footwork & his use of "boleadoras" make an exhilarating performance. Featured accordionist is **Agustin Barchuk** of Buenos Aires. **8pm $8**	**25** **Closed Cerrado**	**26** **Israel, South Africa & the AFL-CIO.** The Labor Committee on the Middle East presents two recent videos: British TV Report on Israel's S. Africa Connection & video of AFL-CIO ties to Israel's Labor Federation Histradrut & conditions for Palestinian workers. Speakers & discussion. **7:30pm $3-5 sliding scale .** For more info. call 641-4440★	**27** Concert: The East Bay's own **Bright Moments,** jazz quintet, returns to La Peña with its unique blend of contemporary jazz, Latin jazz, & straight ahead jazz. The eclectic, often quirky style of **Bright Moments** is the inevitable result of the diverse musical backgrounds of its members. Featuring: **Horacio Crego**,sax, **Al Guzman**,vibes, **Richard Saunders,** bass, **Phil Thompson,** drums, & **James Casella**,guitar. **8-11pm $6**	**28** Central African dance & music with **Fua Dia Congo.** Led by Congolese master-drummer Malonga Casquelourd, this company of virtuoso dancers & musicians puts on a fiery display of religious & social dances from Zaire, Angola, & the Central African & Congo Republic. Opening set by acoustic guitarist **Ze Manel** from Guinea Bissau. **8pm $7**	**29** World beat dance with **The Karmakanix.** A high-energy blend of African, Caribbean, Reggae, & Funk. Their message is timely & their music is great anytime. **9:30pm $5**	**30** *Amiguitos de La Peña* kid's program with **Leni Seigel & Alicia Farin "Performing Group"**,dancers. **10:30am $3 adults, $2 kids** **El Cuadro Flamenco**, flamenco dance & music ensemble. Appearing will be **Agustin Rios**, an internationally acclaimed gypsy flamenco guitarist. An evening of traditional Andalucian dances, flamenco dance solos. **8:30pm $9**

Liberation Seder

The traditional Passover Seder has been celebrated by Jews for over 3,000 years. Each year Jewish people around the world gather to feast and celebrate their liberation and exodus from the Pharoah's Egypt. The Exodus is a powerful metaphor for the struggle for freedom of all oppressed people. Over the years the Seder has been transformed and adapted to reflect current interpretations of that metaphor. The La Peña Seder hagaddah was written in 1983 by Aurora Levins Morales and has been adapted and updated by Gerry Tenney, Linda Hirschhorn, David Cooper, and others. This year's Liberation Seder will reflect La Peña's ongoing focus on the liberation movements of Latin America, and will have a particular focus on the current Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and The Gaza Strip.

The La Peña Liberation Seder will be celebrated on Monday, April 4, starting at 6pm. There will be a traditional meal with wine and the reading of the Hagaddah, followed by Klezmer dance music with **Direh Gelt. Limited Seating. Admission by advance tickets only!** Cost for Seder meal, wine, and program is $12-$25 sliding scale. Children 12 years and under $6. Tickets available by mail order or at La Peña's store, *La Tienda*, Tu-Fri, 1-8pm and Sat. 10am-8pm. For information call 849-2572.Proceeds benefit La Peña Cultural Center.

HIGHLIGHTS



Gabino Palomares
Sunday 3, 8pm

Songwriter, singer, story-teller, cultural organizer, **Gabino Palomares** has been a leading force in the *Nueva Canción* Movement of Mexico and Latin America. His music is deeply rooted in the Mexican musical tradition, yet daringly modern in form and content. This concert will feature new songs which appear on his latest album *No Te Lo Creo.*

Los morales :Encuentro Del Canto Popular, S.F. Photo: Mauricio Flores

Los Morales
Friday 15, 8:30pm

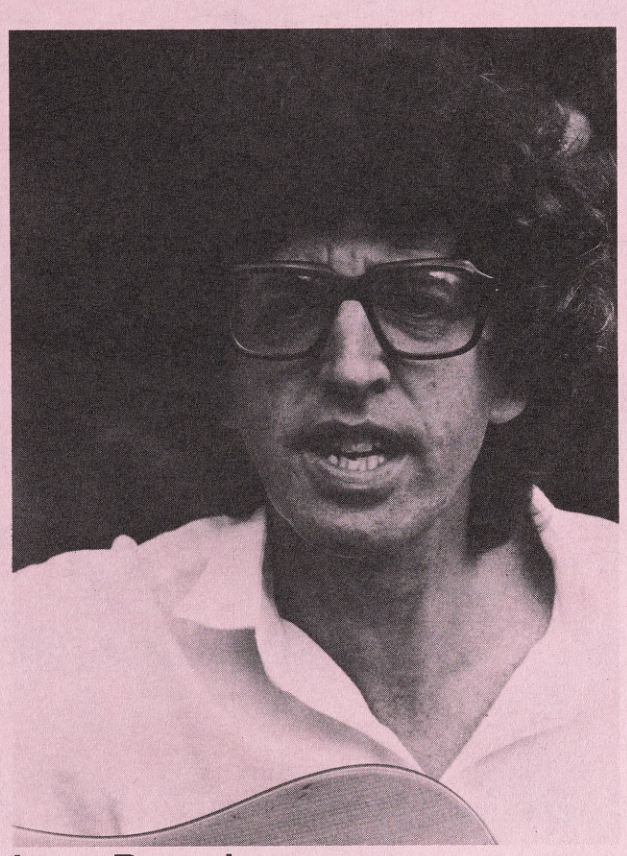
Direct from Mexico, this internationally acclaimed trio was the hit of last year's Encuentro Del Canto Popular at the Victoria Theater. They are masters of various Mexican musical idioms, from *son jarocho*, to *corridos* and *rancheras* to *musica Norteña.* They have performed in 55 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, and Latin America, alone and as accompanists to Oscar Chavez, Amparo Ochoa, and others.Their music is political, historical, traditional, and often very funny. This is a rare opportunity to experience one of Mexico's leading conjuntos.¡ No se lo pierda!

Café Violeta Exhibit

Artwork and photos by La Peña/Café Violeta workers Guillermo Prado and Jaime Fernandez. Chilean painter, Guillermo Prado's work reflects a process of inner transformation that has accompanied a transition of cultures and lands.

Café Violeta Presents Music & Videos

Café Violeta presents videos of Latin American music on Wednesdays and alternate Saturdays. The screenings are free to the public, and include footage of some of the greatest Nueva Canción and other Latin music events of the last decade. ***Also --*** On the first and third Saturday of each month hear **Higher Ground** singing Gospel and Freedom Songs.



Leon Rosselson
Wednesday 20, 8pm

British songwriter Leon Rosselson has been described in his own country as "an anarchist Noel Coward," and in the U.S. as "Tom Lehrer with a hand grenade". Wherever he sings he brings his biting wit and formidable mastery of the English language to bear on the issues that concern us all, from nuclear disaster, to marriage, to door-to-door salesmen. Leon's latest bit of troublemaking is his hit song *Ballad of a Spycatcher* which reveals in music and verse the contents of the novel Spycatcher, banned last year by the British House of Lords. Come find out what Maggie Thatcher & her cohorts are trying to hide!

photo: Bonnie Kamin

Fua Dia Congo
Thursday 28, 8PM

Dazzling Congolese dance performance by the Bay Area's leading ethnic dance troupe, led by Malonga Casquelourd. Opening set by acoustic guitarist Ze Manel from Guinea-Bissau.

Since 1975 more than 300 community groups have used our facilities. The use of our space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion and understanding among different peoples.

In the community room .....

Wednesdays
Intercambio/Exchange

An opportunity to practice your Spanish. Sra. Hilda Ferrada leads sessions for those who wish to practice and converse in Spanish in an informal setting. Beginning April 1, there will be a $15 donation requested for three months. Fees will benefit Casa Chile. 5:30pm -7pm.

Cultural Room Exhibit

Malaquias Montoya and his students have painted a 24X10 foot canvas mural, as a gift to the School of Public Arts in Nicaragua. The mural will be on display during the month of April. Donations are needed for shipping costs to Nicaragua. (See Thurs. 21 program)

NEW SONG FESTIVAL
Saturday, April 9
International House, UC Berkeley

Featuring: Lichi Fuentes, Trio Arepa, La Peña Chorus, Higher Ground, Freedom Song Network, Fernando Arenas, and many more!

Co-sponsors: International House, KPFA, La Peña

Special Guest: Charles Henry
Chairman, Amnesty International

Join people from all over the world in celebrating a day long festival (2-10pm) of musical workshops, a taste tantalizing sit-down dinner and unforgettable concert featuring some of the best performers in the Bay Area.

Learn about the heart and soul of New Song at six afternoon workshops, including a special workshop presented by Amnesty International.

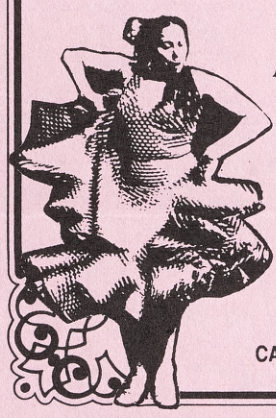
Tickets: $5 for workshops, $11.50 for dinner and performance, $14 for the entire festival. Drop by the program office at I House at 2299 Piedmont or call 642-9460 for information.

Rosa Montoya
Bailes Flamencos

Viva Gypsy

Fiesta Gitana

A world premiere by ***Rosa Montoya***
Guest artist flamenco dancer
Roberto Amaral



Friday and Saturday
April 29 and 30, 8:30 p.m.
HERBST THEATRE
San Francisco

Tickets $10, $12.50, $14 and $25
Available at
Herbst Theatre Ticket Service
1182 Market St., Room 405
and at STBS
(Stockton, between Post & Geary)

CALL 552-3656

No U.S. Intervention in Central America & the Caribbean
End U.S. Support for South African Apartheid
Freeze and Reverse the Nuclear Arms Race
Jobs and Justice, Not War

March and Rally in San Francisco

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1988

Assemble: 11:00am
Precita Park
Near 24th St. BART

March: 12 Noon
Through Mission District

Rally: 1:00pm
Dolores Park
19th & Dolores

Mobilization for Peace, Jobs and Justice
Funds and volunteers needed!
Call 626-8053

La Peña is a multi-cultural center open six nights a week for concerts, films, dances, & grassroots fundraising. Since 1975, the bulk of La Peña's support has come from the community in the form of volunteer work & contributions. *Without this support we could not exist.* We are a not-for-profit tax-exempt organization & we urge all of you who appreciate our diversity of programs to make a donation to keep us around for another year. Over one quarter of our budget comes from $10, $15 & $25 contributions & from our monthly sustainers.

☐ Enclosed is my $_____ tax deductible donation to support La Peña & to receive the calendar of events.

☐ Please send me the calendar of events for a year (enclosed is $2 to cover cost)

☐ Please send me a *tarjeta de compañerismo* (La Peña program discount card) for $25

☐ I would like to become a La Peña sustainer. Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of $ _____

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